

Once again, Oakfield High School and College are proud to support the UK Youth Parliament National “Make Your Mark Campaign”

The UK Youth Parliament is the only group other than MPs that is allowed to sit in the House of Commons providing opportunities for 11-18 year olds to use their elected voice to bring about social change through meaningful representation and campaigning.

November 10<sup>th</sup> 2017, members of UK Youth Parliament came together to debate and decide the most important issue to campaign on for the year ahead from the **Make Your Mark ballot**. All schools and Colleges across the country were invited to take part in the voting process

Oakfield High School and College submitted 154 completed ballot papers, which is a fantastic result in terms of the democratic process for our pupils. The top 2 issues identified by Oakfield High School and College were:

- Votes at 16 – 33
- Transport - 24

The collated results for Young people across the whole of the borough were 9,681 completed ballot papers. The top 2 issues voted by Wigan as a whole were:

- A Curriculum to prepare us for life
- First Aid education for all young people.

The collated results nationally were 978,216 completed ballots. The top 2 issues nationally were

- A Curriculum to prepare us for life
- Tackling racism and religious discrimination, particularly against people who are Muslim or Jewish.

The ‘Make your Mark’ update video can be viewed on the Linc2 website or on the Linc2 Facebook page [www.facebook.com/LINCTwo](http://www.facebook.com/LINCTwo)

January 2018 Oakfield School and College will be voting for the next leaders to represent their voice in the UK Youth Parliament.

Listen to the prospective young leaders manifesto by clicking on <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Qg5SAEvVmsM>

Voting closes January 31<sup>st</sup> 2018 and winners will be announced February 27<sup>th</sup> 2018

# UK Youth Parliament 2017

**Wigan**  
**Council**

**All of these young people want to represent you!**

**The two young people who get the most votes will listen to your views and pass on your ideas to people who can change things for young people.**